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David N. Sundwall, M.D.
Executive Director
Utah Department of Health

Re: Designate the State Health IT Coordinator and Agency to Implement
ARRA HIT State Grants

Dear Dr. Sundwall,

As Governor, I hereby designate you to serve as the State Health IT Coordinator and the Utah Department of Health to serve as the accountable agency to coordinate and implement applications for the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act Section 3013 "State Grants to Promote HIT" in the Recovery Act of 2009.

I appreciate your initiative to organize the Utah HIT Governance Consortium in partnership with the Department of Technology Services, Department of Insurance, and the Utah State Office of Education, Utah Health Information Network, Utah Partnership for Value-driven Healthcare at *HealthInsight*, the Association of Local Health Officers, University of Utah, Utah State University, and 13 additional liaison organizations.

Best wishes for success as you continue this community-based consensus building process with other state agencies.

Sincerely,

Gary R. Herbert
Governor